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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed on April 19, 2007 in connection with the aboveidentified patent application (Confirmation No. 6061), Applicants request consideration of the following remarks and arguments. The present submission is accompanied by a request for a three months extension of time, and is therefore timely.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 2 of this paper.